

2018

JULY

CARPENTER'S PLACE MONTH IN REVIEW



EMPLOYMENT SUCCESS
After working diligently on her goal to gain employment, Michelle achieved success! She is now working full-time with great prospects for promotions. Congratulations, Michelle!

TEACHING SERVICE TO OTHERS
Julie DuChateau and her four children prepared and served breakfast (with loads of smiles) to our guests during July. This was a great life lesson of service to others. Could they be any cuter? Pictured L to R: Hudson, Haley, Julie, Hazel, Harper

NUTRITION EDUCATION
Bekah, an NIU intern, worked with guests in our Permanent Supportive Housing Program to increase their knowledge of nutrition. This included presentations, and time in the kitchen and garden.

NEW HOUSING
James is happy to be sitting on his freshly-made bed, as a new resident in one of our transitional housing programs.



JULY BIRTHDAYS
Birthdays are fun! Volunteers Juan, Marcia and Marlene, are joined by our guest Eddie, and staff Shan and Emily to celebrate their July birthdays.

GARDEN SIGN
Thanks to Kenny, an artist in residence at CP housing, the identity of our garden is beautifully displayed with this new sign.

GO IRISH!
Notre Dame Club members Tom, Mike, Cathy, Larry, Kate (current ND student intern), Brian, and Jack served a bountiful breakfast and conversation with our guests.



FROM BARBER TO BREAKFAST
CP volunteer barber, Gary, recruited his fiancé Jan, Boylan classmate Pat, and his family to prepare and serve breakfast at CP. L to R: front row – Elise, Chiara, Joey; back row – Rose, Jan, Gary, Pat

SUMMER OUTING
CP housing guests and staff enjoyed a wonderful picnic and wagon ride at Lockwood Park, courtesy of Rockford Park District. A great time was had by all.

READY TO ROLL
Grateful for his new bike, Errick said it will now be much easier to get to his job.

CIRCLING BACK
Nine years ago, Patricio Rodriguez toured CP as an NIU business student. This July, after many life changes, OFFICER Rodriguez stopped in for a visit. Thank you for your service, Patricio!



BREAKFAST PIZZA!

L to R: Brad, Gail, Kay, Ginger, Anthony (former DN employee, now CP case manager) Kathleen, Mercedes, and Elliana (little girl) of Dickerson Nieman Realtors responded generously to our plea for folks to provide meals. They served a crowd-pleasing breakfast pizza and fruit.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Emarae was delighted to celebrate Christmas in July with a great lunch from Riverside Community Church, and a gift bag from our Christmas Angel, Alberta James. Super elves, case manager, Jenny and intern, Lindy added fun to the Christmas in July festivities. Marge, Marcia, Rae, Ron, and Del of Riverside Community Church provided lunch for Christmas in July. All of our guests enjoyed this special, mid-year celebration.



TWICE AS NICE

The extraordinary employees of Accuride (originally founded as Gunite) provided both breakfast and lunch on the same day! Their smiles and caring attitudes were served in abundance at both meals. Thank you, Pat, Trevor, Cathy, Dale, Dick, and Eric!



JULY 4TH CELEBRATION!

Woman Space member, Kay Strand provided a fabulous 4th of July dinner feast for our Women's Housing Program! Delicious food and delightful conversation are a great combination.



FROM BOARDROOM TO KITCHEN

CP board directors, Ken, Dan, Lesly, and Henry, served a fun summer lunch of chili dogs with chips and soda. Our guests enjoyed this seasonal meal!

TRANSPORTATION

With a sturdy bike, lock and light, Mike is ready to get to his appointments with speed and style. Congratulations, Mike!



MILESTONES ACHIEVED DURING JULY

17 guests secured full-time employment	12 guests obtained housing
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NEEDS LIST (MOST NEEDED)**

Men's jeans > Size 34	Shower curtains & rings
Men's tennis shoes > Sizes 9 - 12	Liquid disinfectant cleaners **
Backpacks **	Hot sauce
Alarm clocks	Quart size storage bags
Laundry baskets	Toilet paper
	Shaving cream

OPEN MEALS: BREAKFAST Monday, August 20
LUNCH Wednesday, August 29



FRIENDS FROM INDEPENDENCE VILLAGE

Independence Village residents made 100 sack lunches. Then residents Norma and Christian joined Activity Director, Dawn (center), to serve them to our guests. Giving back to the community is a great part of their culture.